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Kerry

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took a congratulatory call from Bush.

You had an important victory tonight," the president told Kerry, adding that he looked forward to a "spirited fight."

Hours earlier, Bush had dispatched Vice President Dick Cheney to TV studios to criticize the presumptive foe.

"He very clearly has over the years adopted a series of positions that indicate a desire to cut the defense budget, cut the intelligence budget, to eliminate many major weapons programs," Cheney said of Kerry, a 19-year Senate veteran.

Kerry called Edwards, whose lone win before Super Tuesday was South Carolina, "a great voice for our party." He commended another fallen rival, Howard Dean, in an effort to unite the party.

Calling Kerry "my friend," Edwards told supporters in Atlanta, "He's been an extraordinary advocate for causes that all of us believe in.'

The freshman senator from North Carolina

stopped just short of conceding, but two

Democratic officials said on condition of anonymity that Edwards would step aside Wednesday in Raleigh, N.C. Kerry rolled up huge Super Tuesday triumphs in California, New York, Ohio, Maryland, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Minnesota and his

home state of Massachusetts, as well as a razorthin win in Georgia. Dean denied Kerry a sweep, winning his home state of Vermont two weeks after dropping out of the race. In all, 10 states with a combined population of

94 million — one-third of the U.S. total — awarded 1,151 delegates, more than half of the 2,162 needed to seize the nomination.

Kerry, a 60-year-old senator, had 1,039 delegates to Edwards' 349. Dean had 182 and Al Sharpton 22

"The issue that drove me is getting rid of Bush, and that led me to Kerry," said Ron Debry, 47, of suburban Cincinnati. "Maybe Edwards someday, but I don't think he's ready yet.'

Exit polls showed Kerry dominated among Democrats of all philosophies and all stripes. No

matter who they picked Tuesday, voters seen comfortable with Kerry as the nominee: A eight in 10 voters said they would be satisfied

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won the Democratic race. And his support came from across the scape: from men and women, blacks, whites Hispanics, and voters of all age and in groups, according to exit polls conducted for Associated Press and TV networks by E

Media Research and Mitofsky International. Edwards made U.S. trade agreements acc piece of his campaign, and exit polls show were sympathetic to his arguments: Some 60 cent said trade takes jobs from their states.

But even among these voters, some six in voted for Kerry, double Edwards' take.

Democratic interest groups, required to independently of the Kerry camp, plan to some

ads critical of Bush. Kerry declined to talk about his advertisi other general election strategies, but said her

be able to compete against the cash-flush Bus "The president has an enormous lead. He extraordinary sums of money... and we're goin have to fight hard to raise money and compa

Kerry told The Associated Press. He said several of his former rivals had offer to help raise money.

In a preview of a potential general electric A&M fr fight, Kerry and Edwards took a Super Tues time-out in the Senate to vote for extending ban on military-style assault weapons.

Two other candidates, Rep. Dennis Kum of Ohio and Sharpton of New York, had chance of winning the nomination. In a bit cold comfort, Kucinich won his primary for election to the House.

Kerry was the last man standing from: crowded field.

Among those eliminated along the way: & Bob Graham of Florida, former Illinois Sen. Can Moseley Braun, Sen. Joe Lieberman Connecticut, retired Army Gen. Wesley Clarks Arkansas and Dean.

Dean entered the year the undisputed front-ru ner, but finished behind both Kerry and Edward in Iowa on Jan. 19. His candidacy imploded Kerry's soared.

## Carroll

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that they eat and not write them down. Other people may cheat and not record everything that they eat, causing significant error in the measurement of their diet. People also complete questionnaires differently, so there could be discrepancy in the results of food frequency questionnaires.

"Even though we eat the same things, we report it differently," Carroll said.

Carroll said scientists suspect that fat intake may be linked to breast cancer in women. Studies have been done showing that countries with overall higher fat intake have a higher occurrence of breast cancer. No individual study, however, has been able

to accurately prove this link, Carroll said.

A study is currently being done involving 60,000 women to observe the difference in the occurrence of breast cancer in women with healthy diets and women with typical high-fat diets. Scientists are hoping to find the link they have been searching for between fat intake and breast cancer, Carroll said.

"Even if the study is successful, difficulties in measuring diet mean that we will not know what components lead to the decreased risk (of breast cancer in women with healthy diets)," Carroll said. "What component of this diet is the one that is really giving the effect?'

The government spends millions of dollars conducting research to find if there are links between certain foods and cancer, but the results of such

research programs are all sub on the nig ject to the error involved measuring diet and may not he accurate, Carroll said.

Attendees said the lecture roller coa was educational, concerni research methods. "Dr. Carroll demonstrated Trahan hi

the importance of careful studies in order to reach conclusions that can be substantial," said A&M Department Head Midel Longnecker. "(The) questing naires (that scientists use w measure diet) may be very mi leading (because) people do n always report what really h pened or what they really did

Michael Hall, an A&M chemistry professor, said was surprised by what Camb had to say.

"We know less about d and cancer than I thought did," Hall said.

WASHINGTON (AP) - Millions of shiny nickels sporting their first new look in 66 years are being shipped to the Federal Reserve, the supplier of the nation's cash, officials of the U.S Mint said Tuesday.

The new nickels — which honor the 1803 Louisiana Purchase on the back but retain Thomas Jefferson on the front — should start showing up in cash registers in several weeks, Mint officials said. A total of 180 million new nickels had been

sent to the Federal Reserve as of March 1, said Mint spokeswoman Becky Bailey

Another nickel honoring the 1804-1806 Lewis and Clark expedition will be released in the fall.

The new commemorative-themed nickels, part of the Mint's new Westward Journey Nickel Series, replace the image of Jefferson's home, Monticello, now on the back of the coins. The current design was introduced in 1938.

The back of the new nickels now headed in circulation bear the words "United States of "Louisiana Purchase" and "180 America," There is an image of hands clasped in friends and A&M — one with a military cuff to symbolize the UM he talked government, and the other with an ornate bracek to represent American Indians.

Above the clasped hands is a tomaha crossed by a peace pipe. The images are similar those on Jefferson Peace Medals, which were pr sented ceremonially to Indian chiefs and of important leaders. Below the clasped hands are Latin words "E Pluribus Unum" (meaning " of many, one")

Approximately 900 million of this nice have been made, up from an initial estimate 500 million, reflecting an improved econo climate which typically increases demand coins, Bailey said.

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